SENATE BILL 2326 By Dixon

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 14, Part 1; Title 13, Chapter 3, Part 1 and Title 13, Chapter 4, Part 1, relative to economic and community development.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-3-101(c), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() In making such appointments, the commissioner shall ensure that the racial composition of each regional planning commission is at least proportionately reflective of the region's racial minority population.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-4-101(a), is amended by inserting the following immediately after the fourth sentence:

In making such appointments, the mayor shall ensure that the racial composition of the planning commission is at least proportionately reflective of the municipality's racial minority population.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-4-101(b), is amended by inserting the following immediately after the first sentence:

In making such appointments, the chief legislative body shall ensure that the racial composition of the planning commission is at least proportionately reflective of the municipality's racial minority population.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-14-104, is amended by designating the current language as subsection "(a)" and by adding the following language, to be designated as subsection "(b)":

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section or any other law to the contrary, the membership of each development district board shall also include as full voting members such additional persons as shall be necessary to ensure that the racial composition of the board is at least proportionately reflective of the district's racial minority population. Any such additional members shall be appointed by members, who serve on the board pursuant to subsection (a), and shall serve regular terms of four (4) years.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 1996, the public welfare requiring it.

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